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TAGS: ETTC PARM PREL IZ AE SUBJECT: DEMARCHE ON UAE FIRMS SUPPLYING MATERIALS TO IRAQI INSURGENTS THAT ARE USED IN MANUFACTURING EXPLOSIVES FOR IMPROVISED EXPLOSIVE DEVICES (IEDS)

REF: A. 10/18 MASILKO - JOHN EMAIL **¶B.** SECSTATE 144977

Classified By: Ambassador Michele J. Sison for reasons 1.4 (b & d).

- 11. (S/NF) Econchief met with MFA Director of Organizations and International Conferences and Counterproliferation Task Force Member Yacub Al Hosani on October 18 to inform him that Iraqi insurgents have received components for explosively formed penetrators from the UAE firm Modern Plastics Industry through the UAE firm A&N group. Econchief also provided Al-Hosani with copies of the photographs of the PVC piping (ref a). Al-Hosani promised to pass the information to the relevant investigatory authorities. He asked whether the items were dual use and if the USG had information that either company was a witting supplier to the insurgents. Econchief explained that we had discovered the items in two caches and that the PVC pipe bodies have been used in EFP attacks across Iraq. Econchief asked that the UAEG investigate the entities with a view toward ending any support they may be providing Iraqi insurgents and share the results of its investigations as soon as possible.
- 12. (S/NF) According to the Zawya directory, Modern Plastics Industry (MPI) was established in 1987 in Dubai. Its principal activities are manufacture of UPVC pressure pipe fittings, HDPE boxes and crates. The address is P.O. Box 31550, Dubai. Telephone 971-4-285-9537; fax 971-4-285-4637; email mpiuae@emirates.net.ae; website www.mpi.ae. The director is Kabir Valrani. According to Zawya, MPI is owned by the Oasis Investment Company, a conglomerate which carries the Atlas brand as well as others. Post was unable to find any information on A&N group.
- 13. (S/NF) Action request: Please provide any further information as it is developed that we can pass the UAEG to help with its investigation, especially on whether the above companies wittingly supplied the insurgents. End Action request. SISON